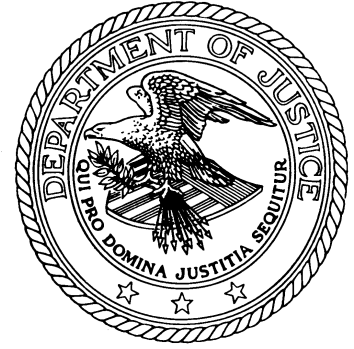


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NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - September 10, 2010

United States Attorney Laura E. Duffy announced that David Arreola was sentenced today in federal court in San Diego by the Honorable Dana M. Sabraw to serve 120 months in custody and 15 years of supervised release following his release from prison based on Arreola's conviction for one count of enticement of a minor, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b). Arreola tendered his guilty plea before Magistrate Judge William V. Gallo on January 20, 2010.

According to court records, Arreola admitted that between June and November 2009, he used a computer and telephone to communicate with a 14-year-old girl in Arizona. The nature of the conversations was sexual, where Arreola would describe the sexual acts in which he wanted to engage with the minor and included requests by Arreola to have the female minor to take sexually explicit photos of herself and send them to Arreola. Arreola also sent the minor pictures of his exposed genitalia. Further investigation revealed that Arreola communicated with 15 other minor females online, some as young as 12 years of age, and engaged in similar conversations and acts over the internet with each of them. Arreola also admitted to meeting with at least two minor females while on duty as a parole agent.

At the time of his arrest by agents of the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children, Arreola was employed as a parole agent with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation in Chula Vista.

This case stems from an investigation by the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, whose members include the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the San Diego Police Department, the San Diego County Sheriff's Department, the Chula Vista Police Department, the United States Attorney's Office, the San Diego District Attorney's Office, the United States Postal Inspection Service, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, the United States Marshals Service, the Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory, the Defense Criminal Investigative Service, and the El Cajon Police Department.

This case is being brought as part of the Department of Justice Project Safe Childhood (PSC). For more information about PSC, please visit www.projectsafecchildhood.gov

DEFENDANT

Case Number: 09CR4538-DMS

DAVID ARREOLA

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b) (Enticement of a Minor)

AGENCIES

San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

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